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## DEATH OF J. W. ASHLEY OCCURRED SATURDAY

WAS ONE OF MOST WIDELY  
KNOWN MEN IN STATE—MEM-  
BER OF HOUSE 20 YEARS.

Anderson county lost one of her most widely known citizens Saturday morning in the death of Hon. Joshua Whitner Ashley, who for 20 years was a member of the South Carolina legislature. Mr. Ashley died on Saturday morning at 5.25 o'clock, at the home of his son, Sheriff Joe M. H. Ashley, on Church street, after an illness of three months, his condition becoming critical about one week ago.

The funeral services were held at Mt. Bethel church Sunday at two o'clock, p. m. The body was taken to the church, which is in Martin township, leaving here at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. The services were conducted by the Rev. W. B. Hawkins, assisted by the Rev. N. G. Wright, and interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

The honorary pallbearers were those gentlemen who served in the Anderson county delegation in the legislature with Mr. Ashley and also in the senate as follows: Ex-Senators J. K. Hood, Sr., and George W. Sullivan and J. E. Breazeale, S. M. Pearman, W. W. Scott, J. L. Jackson, H. C. Summers, K. P. Smith, J. T. Cox, O. D. Gray and H. F. Cely, all members of the house at different times. Ex-Governor Bleasdale also attended the funeral.

The active pallbearers were: Messrs. Joshua W. Ashley, Jr., J. T. G. Ashley, Jr., Joshua Ashley, Jr., S. G. Murdock, James Ashley, W. J. Eaylors, James T. Murdock and James Ashley, all nephews.

### Sketch of Life

Mr. Ashley was born December 16, 1848, in Martin township, being the son of Edward and Elizabeth Ashley. He was reared in this county and continued to live in it until his death, the place of his residence for the greater part of his life being at Honea Path.

On February 18, 1875, Mr. Ashley was married to Miss Mahala Moore of Abbeville county, and she with six children also survive. The children are: M. J. Ashley of Abbeville county, Mrs. W. H. Canfield, Mrs. J. B. N. Ashley, Mrs. Jas. N. Pearman, Joe M. H. Ashley and Orr Ashley. He is also survived by 24 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Born and reared a poor boy, Mr. Ashley had to work very hard in his early days. At the age of 21 he was working at a small salary on the farm. Later he began farming for himself and during his life time succeeded in accumulating a comparatively large fortune. In addition to running his large farm at Honea Path, he for a while engaged in the mercantile business on a small scale.

Mr. Ashley's first entrance into politics was in 1892. During the campaign of 1890 some of his friends put his name forward as a candidate for the house of representatives, but he declined to run. However, in 1892 he announced himself as a candidate for the house and was elected. With the exception of 20 years, he served continuously for 20 years, his last term expiring in 1914. This record is one that is probably unequalled.

Upon his entrance into the house of representatives, Mr. Ashley soon made a record for himself and was from the start recognized as a leader. He was appointed a member of a number of the important committees, and for a long period was chairman of the agricultural committee, one of the most important in the house.

Mr. Ashley's record in the house is known throughout the state. He always entered into a fight with his whole soul, and there was never any doubt in the minds of the people how he stood on any measures before the house. He was the first representative in South Carolina to introduce a bill regulating the hours of labor for the cotton mills, and his bill ultimately became a law. He strove to do everything within his power to secure legislation favorable to the farmers, laboring classes and poor people. Because of his strong opposition to extravagant appropriations he was dubbed "The Watch Dog of the Treasury." He was a great and strong advocate for liberal pensions for Confederate veterans and their widows. He always fought for liberal appropriations for the state hospital for the insane, and was recognized as a true friend of the institution for the deaf and dumb. These three things stand out preeminently in Mr. Ashley's record as a member of the legislature.

Mr. Ashley led the fight for the repeal of the Lloyd Radical bonds, which were issued during reconstruction times. There was sufficient evidence to show that these bonds had been paid, and yet they continued to come up for redemption. For 10 years the legislature had the matter of again redeeming these bonds, and Mr. Ashley was instrumental in having these bonds written off the books of the state.

## DUBLIN REBELLION MEETS DOWNFALL

REBEL LEADERS OF DUBLIN ALL  
HAVE SURRENDERED TO  
TROOPS OF GREAT BRITAIN

London, May 1.—Official announcement was made this afternoon that all the rebel leaders in Dublin had surrendered.

Rebels of the rank and file followed the example of their leaders yesterday morning and confessed the cause of the Irish republic was lost by laying down their arms at the foot of the Parnell monument in Sackville street and surrendering to British troops. About 450 of them who had fought since Monday in this central area marched out from their strongholds under the white flag and gave themselves up. A few irreconcilables continued sniping from lairs difficult to locate on roofs or among rafters of buildings nearby.

Soon afterward a rebel lieutenant, wearing a heather green uniform and carrying a white flag, came in with a guard of ten men from the adjoining county of Meath to learn the truth about rumors of a general surrender.

**Movement Collapses.**  
The party marched off to the castle and learned from J. H. Pearce, who was named provisional president of the Irish republic, that the movement had collapsed and was advised to resist no longer. The lieutenant and his escort then started out to parley with the rebels in the country districts in an effort to induce them to lay down their arms.

James Connolly, one of the leaders of the uprising, is said by government officials, to be a prisoner, wounded, in the castle.

### THE PIANO EXHIBIT.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an advertisement of the John A. Church Company. These people are making an exhibit of pianos and are going to put them on the market this week at factory prices. There is no middle man profit but the people of Abbeville will get these fine instruments at genuine factory prices. For the past two weeks there has been an excellent exhibit held in the room next to Haddon-Wilson store and every afternoon and night there has been held a concert of unusual merit. Our people have enjoyed the music and the player piano both and the concerts have been well attended. This exhibit is in charge of a corps of courteous and obliging young men, who will call on the people of the town and county this week in the interest of their instruments.

### WHAT MIMS THINKS OF US.

Last week the seventh grade young people in their English exercises were given a theme to write and the subject was "Fort Pickens." There was a general scramble over town for something of the history of the little settlement and many of the papers told of the block house and of the old well on the place now owned by Mrs. Hemphill. But not so with Mims Cason, he cares nothing for history and brought in a paper with something like the following:

"I used to go to Fort Pickens a great many times but I do not go over there much now. A great many nice people live in Fort Pickens. Some of my best friends live in Fort Pickens. A lot of boys and girls from Fort Pickens come to school, and they take a high stand in their classes."

Some of these days we expect to see Fort Pickens pointed out as the place where Mims Cason once visited.

### MINING NEWS.

Col. W. W. Bradley and Col. R. S. Link spent several days of last week in Oconee and Pickens Counties. They made the trip in Col. Link's new Ford. While they were away they discovered a fine place to locate a summer colony from Abbeville, provided about a million dollars is first spent on the place.

### MAD DOG SCARE.

The wife of the porter of the Southern Railway, was bitten by a large bull dog Tuesday. The dog was supposed to be mad.

### GOING WEST.

Mrs. L. C. Haskell leaves today for an extended trip through the west. She will go first to Mississippi where she will visit the family of Bishop Bratton and of James M. Perrin. From there she will go to Oklahoma, where she will spend some time with Mr. and Mrs. Haskell.

Mrs. Haskell's friends wish for her a pleasant visit and a safe return.

### THE MILFORD HOUSE.

The home place of Dr. C. A. Milford was sold Monday at public auction by Robt. S. Owens, Trustee in Bankruptcy, and brought \$6300. Mrs. Mary W. Milford was the purchaser.

## Abbeville County Democrats Hold Enthusiastic Meeting

The Democratic Convention was called to order in the Court House by retiring chairman, Wm. N. Graydon, at noon Monday. Mr. Graydon was elected temporary chairman and Mr. R. B. Cheatham, Secretary. A committee on credentials consisting of five members was appointed and they made up the roll of the convention which was called, about seventy-five members of the eighty-one entitled to seats, answering.

Mr. Wm. N. Graydon was then elected President of the convention and also county chairman for the next two years. Mr. Cheatham was elected as permanent secretary, and Mr. H. J. Power, Treasurer, and the meeting was opened for business.

Mr. Amos B. Morse, on behalf of Abbeville Club No. 1, presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Be It Resolved by the Abbeville County Convention:

I. That it is the duty of every loyal American citizen to uphold the rights of its citizens to travel anywhere in the world where a state of war does not exist, and we pledge our support to the government of the United States in its endeavor to secure our people in their rights to travel on the high seas.

II. That we most heartily endorse the course of President Wilson in his efforts to protect the freedom of all American citizens, and his patriotic stand for the principles of peace, provided it can be maintained with honor.

III. We call upon our Senators and Representatives in Congress to uphold the President in his efforts along this line.

Nominations were made for delegates to the State Convention which meets in Columbia on 17th, resulting in the following gentlemen being elected: Messrs. G. A. Neuffer, Wm. N. Graydon, J. Howard Moore, G. N. Nickles, E. W. Harper and D. H. Hill. The others nominated and voted on

were named as alternates in the following order: Capt. W. C. Shaw, M. J. Ashley, W. M. Barnwell, P. A. Cheatham and W. P. Beard.

The following is a list of the delegates to the county convention as taken from the permanent roll:

Abbeville No. 1.—A. B. Morse, D. H. Hill, W. N. Graydon, W. M. Barnwell, J. M. Nickles, W. H. Long, T. P. Thomson, H. F. Dellinger, W. P. Beard.

Abbeville No. 2.—R. E. Hill, W. W. Bradley, J. H. Moore, P. A. Cheatham, J. T. Cheatham, Hugh Bowen, G. A. Neuffer, W. A. Stevenson, W. W. L. Keller, W. P. Wham, J. L. Hill.

Antreville—J. F. Gray, S. J. Wakefield, J. E. Sutherland, H. J. Power, L. P. Harkness, J. M. Prince.

Calhoun Falls—Joseph Hicks, W. C. Lanier, R. O. Bell, H. W. Lawson, G. O. Hall.

Hillville—A. F. Seawright, H. P. Bowie.

Keowee—Hugh Simmons, J. R. Pruitt, T. R. McMahan, Jas. S. Ashley.

Rock Springs—Melvin J. Ashley, Jas. A. Black, Chas. M. Kay.

Abbeville Cotton Mill—T. A. Putman, J. N. Blum, J. E. Haralson.

Central—E. R. Miller, J. W. McKee, A. B. Robinson, T. M. Nickles.

Cold Springs—D. E. Newell, P. B. Carville.

Dale West—G. N. Nickles, R. S. Galloway, J. L. Pruitt, J. C. McDill, Joe Young.

Donalds—R. L. Barmore, W. R. Dunn, C. W. Tribble, J. A. Dodson, L. J. Davis, G. R. Black.

Lowndesville No. 1.—E. W. Harper, S. S. Boles, N. B. Sutherland, G. H. Bradshaw, J. A. Harper, W. H. Hardin.

Lowndesville No. 2.—W. E. Daniel, W. W. Boles, W. R. Nance, Means Chapel—B. F. Price.

Level Land—A. F. Carville, Lee Bryant, J. K. Temple.

Lebanon—J. B. Gibert, Erk Pressley, Joe Wilson.

## LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF

### TALKING AT WARRENTON

Miss Maggie Brooks, Miss Sherrer, Mr. Henry Wilson and Miss Georgiana Press went out to Warrenton last Sunday afternoon and Miss Press made a talk before the Warrenton Sunday School. What she had to say was enjoyed by the large crowd present.

### DANCING ON FRIDAY.

The young people of the city were invited out to the home of Albert and Alpheus Leslie last Friday night for the regular Friday night dance. The trip was made in automobiles and a delightful time was enjoyed by the young people.

### THE LADIES' SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Society of the Associate Reformed church will be held at the home of Mrs. Alf. Lyon Thursday afternoon at four o'clock.

### COUSIN COOT.

M. W. Smith, a candidate for corner, is announced in this issue. He is a worthy farmer of Abbeville county and an honest man. He will appreciate your vote for that office. He expects to see the voters as the campaign progresses and to tell them why they should vote for him.

### WELCOMED VISITORS.

Mrs. Henry M. Huntley, of Roanoke, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. Webb Collett, of Salisbury, N. C., came to Abbeville last Saturday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe T. Hughes until Monday. Mrs. Huntley and Mrs. Collett are well remembered here as Miss Orene and Miss Lulie Hughes, and their old friends are glad to have them come back and rejoice in their happiness and prosperity in life. Mr. Collett and a handsome young son of three years, were also here. Mr. Collett was at one time engineer on the Seaboard and when he comes back he is greeted with many warm and friendly handclaps.

While here these old Abbeville people were pleasantly entertained by Mrs. Addie Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Chalmers and Mr. and Mrs. Haigler.

### DR. THOMSON HURT.

When returning from the baseball game in Due West last Thursday afternoon Dr. Thomson was thrown from his car and was badly shaken up. The car was going at a lively clip and run into a ditch, throwing both Dr. Thomson and Amos Morse, Jr., out. The doctor was confined to his bed for a day or two but is out and himself again.

### D. A. R. MEETING.

The Andrew Hamilton Chapter of D. A. R., will hold their regular monthly meeting for May, on Wednesday, May 3rd, at 4.30 o'clock. Mrs. J. V. Elgin will entertain the chapter at this meeting.

Mrs. J. R. Lawson, Sec'y.

### SEVENTH GRADE LATIN.

The study of Latin in the Graded School is taken up in the seventh grade and this year the young people have made good progress in the study under Miss Louise Sullivan. Last week Dr. King, who has charge of the Baptist church here until summer, made a visit to the school and after listening to the class recite, gave as his opinion that the seventh grade Latin class was well taught and was advanced further than any class that he has ever seen.

This is praise indeed, and should be appreciated by Miss Sullivan and her pupils.

### BIBLE SOCIETY.

The Board of Directors of the Abbeville District Bible Society is called to meet in the Sunday School Room of the Abbeville Presbyterian Church, Saturday, May 20, at 10:30 a. m. Important matters are to be considered and a full attendance is earnestly urged.

Rev. F. Y. Pressley, Pres.  
S. G. Thomson, Sec'y.

### A FARMERS DAY.

On Wednesday, May 17th, there will be a big Agricultural Rally at Antreville on the farm of S. J. Wakefield. There will be excellent speeches by four of the best agricultural lecturers in the state and an additional attraction will be the barbecue dinner. All the farmers in the county are urged to attend this meeting.

There will be two or three demonstrations of traction engines with the best plows.

The object of this meeting is to emphasize crimson clover, alfalfa and vetch, as a beneficial crop.

Mr. Cheatham, the Farm Demonstrator, has placed orders for over a thousand pounds of home grown crimson clover seed in the past week.

Mr. Wakefield, on whose farm this demonstration will be held, has one of the best farms in the state and ten acres of the best vetch and has a show field of alfalfa.

### FAMINE IN LEAD PENCILS.

A pencil famine threatens America as a result of the war. Pencil makers say that one of the ingredients of a pencil is a form of aniline dye, and the supply is steadily falling off. Indelible pencils will be almost an unknown quantity if the war keeps up much longer.

Pencil makers are paying three times as much for the materials used in putting a finish on a pencil as formerly, and soon there will be no more to be had. The output of copying pencils has dwindled to almost nothing since the beginning of the war. They are among the most extensively used in America and are considered indispensable to railroads and other industries. A dye known as methyl violet is required in making this pencil, and as the dye comes exclusively from Germany, there is no more to be had.

—New York Herald.

## ASK LEGISLATION; NOT EXTRA SESSION

LEGISLATORS GIVE OPINIONS  
ON FIRE INSURANCE LAW  
OF STATE.

With nearly 60 per cent of the members of the general assembly heard from, indications are that the majority believe the Laney-Odom fire insurance legislation is defective. Many are in favor of an extraordinary session of the general assembly, or believe such would not be amiss. A still larger number oppose a special session. The overwhelming majority either by specific statements, or by inference, indicate their willingness to vote for some modification of fire insurance legislation, or for the repeal of the Laney-Odom bill.

This information was obtained by a poll of the general assembly conducted by the Greenville Daily News. Ninety-two members answered the questions asked. Of this number, 28 were senators. The News undertook to find what the sentiment among the legislators was, in regard to the recently-enacted fire insurance legislation, which has caused the withdrawal from South Carolina of a majority of the fire insurance companies.

The questions asked by the News, were as follows:

1. Do you believe an extraordinary session to consider the question desirable?

2. If such an extraordinary session were convened, would you vote for a modification of any nature of the insurance acts passed by the general assembly of 1916?

3. What action, in your opinion, should be taken in regard to the present situation with reference to fire insurance in South Carolina?

Summarized, the results of the poll follow:

As to Extra Session.  
Number answering "yes" or answering to that effect—twenty-five.

Number answering "no," or to that effect—thirty-three.

Number of answers qualified—twenty-nine.

Number non-committal—five.

As to Vote for Modification (Several Outright for Repeal.)  
Number voting "yes," or to that effect—sixty-three.

Number voting "no"—four.

Number of answers qualified—twenty.

Number non-committal—five.

The senate answers, tabulated separately give the following results:

As to Extra Session.  
Number voting "yes"—five.

Number voting "no"—eight.

Qualified—eight.

Non-committal—two.

As to Modification.  
Number voting "yes"—ten.

None voted absolutely no, though there were strong qualifications.

Number of qualified answers—nine.

Number non-committal—four.

Twenty-one senators, Mr. Laney among them, were not heard from.

Fifty-four members of the house did not reply.

### DELIVERY OF CROSSES OF HONOR

Crosses of Honor will be given to the following veterans and descendants of veterans by the Abbeville Chapter U. D. C., at Memorial exercises in the Opera House, May 10:

T. R. Blackwell, Veteran.  
B. F. Price, Veteran.  
J. J. Botts, Veteran.

G. L. Wilson, Son of Veteran R. H. Wilson, Lowndesville, S. C.

Allie P. Clinkscales, Daughter of Veteran F. V. Pruitt.

Janie Britt Cheatham, Daughter of Veteran Chas. A. Britt.

J. S. Stevenson, Son of Veteran Andrew Stevenson.

Mrs. Lucy Calvert Thomson, Recorder of Crosses.

### MEMORIAL DAY.

The local Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, will observe Wednesday, May 10th, as Memorial Day. Gen. Milledge L. Bonham of Anderson, will deliver an address in the Opera House at 11:30 o'clock A. M. The public is cordially invited to participate in the celebration, and the veterans are especially invited to be present.

After the address, the school children will have appropriate exercises at the monument.

The attending veterans will be the guests of the Daughters and a dinner will be served them at the home of Mrs. C. C. Gambrell, the president of the local chapter.

### "I GOT DE MUMPS."

Col. Bill Wilson is not looking pretty and he certainly does not feel good these days as he has had a fine case of mumps. He has them on only one side so he can still cuss with the other side of his mouth.

### JOY RIDING.

Misses Fannie Stark, Miss Annie Rodger, Mr. H. G. Smith and Albert Morse went over to Greenwood and took supper at the Oregon Hotel last Saturday.

## TROOPS WILL NOT BE WITHDRAWN

PRESIDENT HOPEFUL OF AMICABLE  
SETTLEMENT—FINAL  
PROPOSALS YET TO COME.

Washington, May 1.—Definite final proposals have not yet been reached in the border conferences between Generals Scott, Funston and Obregon. It was authoritatively stated today at the war department. A long code dispatch from Gen. Scott arrived today. Secretary Baker expected to send supplementary advices to Gen. Scott, to reach him if possible before his second conference with Gen. Obregon.

While it was officially admitted that Gen. Obregon had "suggested" withdrawal from Mexico of the United States expedition, officials said these overtures had not been in the form of a demand and that no peremptory or unalterable position had been taken by either side.

Gen. Scott, it was explained, had made counter suggestion to Gen. Obregon proposing co-operative military measures.

That the conferences have not reached a deadlock was also stated on official authority. No measures have been taken on behalf of the United States, it was asserted, which preclude an amicable settlement.

Officials said the negotiations up to date had been "satisfactory." President Wilson, they said, has no intention of granting the request at present that troops be withdrawn and is hopeful that an agreement will be reached for co-operation between American and Mexican troops.

### MARRIAGE OF MISS BARNETT AND MR. DEADWYLER

The marriage of Miss Macie Lee Barnett and Mr. Clifford L. Deadwyler was solemnized last Thursday afternoon, April 27th, 1916, at the Baptist church at half after three o'clock. Dr. A. T. King performed the ceremony and a large audience of friends and well wishers were present to witness the interesting event.

The church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion, a white background going made for the ferns and palms and for the ivy which draped the chancel. White pedestals surmounted with handsome brass jardiniere of white peonies and several vases of white flowers gave the finishing touch to the beautiful scene.

Miss Ruth Howie presided at the organ and before the coming of the young couple Miss Fannie Stark sang "Because," in her usual sweet and charming manner. The ushers were: Dr. J. R. Nickles, and Dr. C. C. Gambrell, and Francis Mabry and R. H. Kay. Miss Minnie Lee Helms, the pretty maid of honor, entered alone, while the bride was attended by her father, Mr. A. H. Barnett. The groom entered with his best man Mr. Worley Saslette, of Elberton, Ga. The bride wore a handsome suit of green and carried in her arms a bouquet of bride roses. The maid of honor wore a dress of crepe de chine of blue and carried pink carnations.

Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for a short bridal trip before going to house-keeping in their home on Pinckney street.

Miss Barnett is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Barnett and is a young woman of many charms. She has many friends in the city and they wish for her all the happiness in life.

Mr. Deadwyler is a young man of many excellent qualities and is the capable man who looks after the affairs of the City Water Plant. He stands high in the esteem of our people and every one wishes him much happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Deadwyler received many beautiful gifts as a token of the affection of their friends. They were also entertained at several pleasant tea parties before the happy event.

### BUYING A CAR.

Mrs. B. S. Barnwell has invested in a handsome Oakland car and is ready for many good rides this summer. Miss Mary Aiken will spend the summer in Abbeville with Mrs. Barnwell and will drive the car.

### ALL THREE.

Miss Elize Bowie entertained the Bridge Club at a very pleasant meeting last Friday afternoon. The games were lively, the conversation entertaining and the refreshments delightful.

### CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR.

Mr. Robt. S. McComb, is announced in this issue as a candidate for the office of County Supervisor. Mr. McComb is a well known citizen of the county, and has served it as sub-supervisor for one term. He has the ability and experience to handle the affairs of the county in a way satisfactory to the voters and he solicits their endorsement.